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2. (new) The grip structure of claim 1 with the bonding combination points being an adhesive agent.

3. (new) The grip structure of claim 2 with the adhesive agent being a heat melted gel.

4. (new) The grip structure of claim 3 with the fabric being non-woven.

5. (new) The grip structure of claim 1 with the fabric being non-woven.

#### REMARKS

Austin and Mesek are directed to laminates for diapers and Nohr is directed to industrial wipers, workwear, medical fabrics, and the like. There is no suggestion that these laminates can be used as a grip structure for a ratchet. It is respectfully submitted that a person skilled in the art would not consider such prior art to include "a surface material layer" or "a substrate material layer" when construed in the context of the specification of the present application. However, in a spirit of conciliation to advance the prosecution of the present application, the surface material layer and the substrate material layer have been further defined to distinguish over these references. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Additionally, the bonding combination points have been further defined by reciting their function which must be built into the structure recited (See In re Land and Rogers, 151 USPQ 621) to limit the claim to the field of the invention and to distinguish over diapers, industrial wipers, workwear, medical fabrics, and the like. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the claims existing in this application are in condition for allowance for this separate and independent reason.

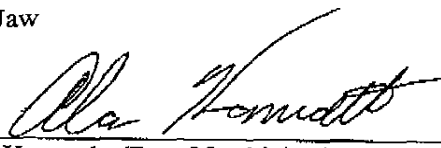
Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE  
IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (twice amended) A grip structure for a racket comprising:  
a surface material layer [(10)] formed of PU material and having a flat surface;  
a substrate material layer [(20)] formed of fabric and having a flat surface, said surface material layer [(10)] and said substrate material layer [(20)] laminated with each other; and  
a plurality of evenly distributed bonding combination points [(30)] secured between said flat surface of said surface material layer [(10)] and said flat surface of said substrate material layer [(20), so that] bonding and combining said flat surface of said surface material layer [(10) can be combined with] and said flat surface of said substrate material layer [(20) without detachment] , with the bonding combination points obstructing the immediate infiltration of water contained in the substrate material layer into the surface material layer when subjected to pressure.